

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

**CASE NO.: 2:17-cr-198
JUDGE GEORGE C. SMITH
MAGISTRATE JUDGE KING**

JOHN J. KERIN,

Defendant.

ORDER

On September 29, 2017, the Magistrate Judge issued a Report and Recommendation pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), recommending that the Court accept Defendant's guilty plea to an Information charging him with being a felon in possession of a firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 922(g), 924. (Doc. 23). Defendant, represented by counsel, waived his right to appear on the matter before a District Judge. The Magistrate Judge conducted the colloquy required by Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure. Defendant's plea was knowing, voluntary, free from coercion, and had a basis in fact. A psychological evaluation was also performed at the request of defense counsel to evaluate competency. The competency hearing was held on September 29, 2017 and Defendant was found competent to enter a guilty plea.

Defendant was specifically informed of his right to contest the Report and Recommendation by filing any objections within 14 days of the issuance of the Report and Recommendation pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B) and Rule 72(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Defendant did not file any objections.

Accordingly, the Court **ADOPTS** the Report and Recommendation and **ACCEPTS** Defendant's plea of guilty to the Information. Defendant is hereby adjudged guilty of being a felon in possession of a firearm, in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§ 922(g) and 924.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/ George C. Smith
GEORGE C. SMITH, JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT